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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUENOS AIRES 3976

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CHINESE AMBASSADOR COMMENTS ON INDIA NUCLEAR EXPLOSION

1. DURING CALL ON AMBASSADOR HILL MAY 28, CHINESE AMBASSADOR CHING WEI-CHIH COMMENTED THAT CHINA WAS NOT SURPRISED BY INDIAN TEST AND THAT NEITHER US NOR USSR SHOULD HAVE BEEN SURPRISED SINCE IT WAS THEY WHO HAD HELPED INDIA GAIN NUCLEAR CAPABILITY. AMBASSADOR HILL INDICATED THIS WAS NOT THE CASE AND SUBSEQUENTLY SENT TO AMBASSADOR CHING WEI-CHIH SOME CLIPPINGS FROM THE US PRESS WHICH PUT THE GENESIS OF THE INDIAN NUCLEAR BLAST IN PERSPECTIVE.

2. WHEN AMBASSADOR HILL INQUIRED AS TO STATUS OF CHOU EN LAI, CHINESE AMBASSADOR DISMISSED LATTER AS "SICK OLD MAN." AMBASSADOR HILL REFRAINED FROM NOTING THAT CHOU NO OLDER AND PROBABLY NO SICKER THAN MAO.

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